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Oh! for time, am'd life's rush, To learn the bird's free note; To list the evening's gentle hush; To watch fair clouds affoat;

To mark the grace of flowers and leaves, With a sense of all their sweet: To keen the charms that nature weaves

In the green tur! at our feet. Oh! for time for thoughtful heed Of the good e'en we might do, Of the joy that comes of a loving deal,

Or an act that is just or true;

Out of the night so dark that speeds, Wherever may be the morn, On this dear earth, with its charms and needs, No other day shall dawn.

Oh! for time, in the rush and the race, To turn our feet aside,

The beauty of earth and sky to trace, And the charm of ocean wide; To note in the wild and jostling throng, Some fellow crashed or driven,

This were to well have striven

-J. A. Kennedy, in Frank Leslie's.

A Letter That Came at Last

BY MARY KYLE DALLAS.

Regina Ramsen, having listened to the post nan's whistle coming up the street, and hearing his step leave the next pavement, suddenly slipped her feet out of her pretty satia slippers and glided down the stairs between her bedroom and the lover hall in her stockings, holding into her room and thus addressed her: her robe so that no sound of its flounces might be heard against the balustrade.

"I heard him say he would write to her," she whispere I, between her white teeth, a gleam of jealousy in her large, black eyes, and a frowa upon her brow whic's spoiled her face, regular as were its features. "I heard him, and I will know what he writes-I will know."

The postman's step advanced, his whistle sounded, letters dropped into the box, and he was off again.

The next instant, whatever he had left was in Miss Rumsen's hand, in her pocket, and she was running up-stairs

Half-way up she met another girl-a young thing of seventeen, with flaxen close relation-and-youhair, blue eyes, sleader waist, lips like healthy, creany tint, more beautiful than the highest color.

said, with a laugh.

"So did I. Bassie," replie i the brunotic, "but there is no letter in the box."

"Oh, I am sure he whistled here," Bessie answered, and went on and peeped I shall be glad to get away."

She returned disappointed.

"He said he would write"-she whis-

ment, her eyes grew heavy. She would not cry, but she greatly desired to do

day," she said, and settled down to her and if any letters come for me please sewing-work for her Cousin Regina-Regina was always having new dresses made. Poor little Bessie, the poor re. her to call. lation of the family, was seldom without a needle in her hand in consequence.

Happity she was so fresh and pretty, that the simple little frocks that were now and then given her, muslins bought by her aunt at bargain counters, or cheap

Regina, with her grand air, had sometimes condescended to tell her so in the first days of her presence in the Remsen residence, but of late, to the astonishment of the stately cousin and the stout aunt, others had observed the fact.

eligible match in the Remsea social circle, but a very charming fellow beside, had been altogether too attentive to poor

They had lingered on the balcony together, and Regina had heard a whisper,

in her hand the proof that she was not no letters. mistaken. A letter on the paper Roy always used, and bearing his seal, addressed to "Miss Bessie Benton."

hand and hesitated, One may go to State prison for breaking the seal of a good customer, and when she get marletter addressed to another. But Regina That all was fair in love and war.

"Who knows what the little sly-boots was devoted to me before mamma asked as she took her cousin's dress in her quite likely such an addition would her here. And if she is casting her nets with a tiny, pearl-han iled knife, and

the letter lay open before her. She read:

Regina read this letter twice, flashing snipping the stitches.

she flew across the hall to her mother's were true, there lay a letter in her lap. room, and shutting the door, locked it The dainty envelope she had dreamed

sen, who was trying on a new frizette at recognized the fact that the envelope tion in London with the Mazarine Bibls the mirror. "Really, you should cuiti- half flon from the pocket of Regima's and Mary Tudor Prayer Book.

people should never fly about like whiri-King would be disgusted if he saw you like that."

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"Oh, mamma!" said Regina, testily, vice. Somehow, no matter in what par- Satan has deserted her, and she has left ticular way, I have discovered that Roy it here for me to find. And at last I can King, who has seemed to every one to right myself with Roy." come here for my sake, who certainly did admire me, has been bewitched by that little snake, Bessie Benton. He in- only when her task was done did she sit tends to come here on Thursday to see down to answer her letter. her, to propose to her, mamma, and I-

and burst into tears.

"I am so fond of him, and he is so Regina," said Mrs. Ramsen. "How did very happy. you learn all that?"

"You had better not ask questions Regina, opening a delicate envelope that about that, mamma," Regina answered; had just been dropped into the post box, "please accept it as a fact, and tell me uttered a loud, angry cry, and tossed

Bessie next Thursday." "My dear, Bessie shall not see him the new frizette. "I'll manage that."

That very evening she called Bessie at last." - Family Story Paper. "My dear child, you have been here for nearly six months, and I suppose you are tired of being idle."

"Idle!" Bessie thought, remembering that she had played the part of seamstress, chambermaid and errand-girl, (and correct) pronunciation of our own without thanks or wages.

But she said nothing.

"And of course I've been looking out Bending over the letter-box, she stood for you," Mrs. Ramsen went on, "and Dots somet tea." you have quite a talent for dressmaking, and Madame Fleure wants a young lady -some intelligent person who can speak French, as you can-and she'll give board and a couple of dollars a week at santly from morn to eve." first, and you'd better go to her; in fact, I've written that you would. I'll take are only my half-sister's orphan-not a

"I understand," said Bessie. jacque roses, and a skin of that pure, shan't claim relationship, and I am very to this abstention that the singular fact glad to be independent."

"I heard the postman, Regina," she the haughty lady who listened did not pond two women washing, one the rice saying to herself.

was not in carnest, and was only flirting points out, "use cold water for washing for the fishermen to secure their crabs at much as the size of a walnut will answer.

fell upon its slender contents. It seemed from which they scoop up a little with so hard to think that no one loved her, the hand and slightly rub the lips." that they were glad to get rid of her, Chinamen, on the contrary, pass round a but she went away next morning cheer. dingy rag dipped in boiling water. This

lace cape, Regina," she said, on parting upon. - Temple Bar. "Ah, well, there are more mails to- from her cousin. "I hope you'll like it, send them to Madame Fleure."

tion," she sighed, never dreaming that Prevent this by using a gas stove or oil Regina could be jealous of her-Re- stove as far as possible. Then shut up gina, whom she thought so stylish and tight all rooms not in use. Not only

ceived Roy King on Thursday. "Bessie had gone home," she said,

fancy there is a romantic attraction metically seal all the rooms of a house,

He was very much in love with Bessie, be closed early in the morning while the but as he walked away he strove to con- air has some freshness, and before the quer the feeling. Bessie had given him sun strikes the windows; then it should to understand that she could not like not be opened until late in the afternoon. him, he thought, and had told her aunt

looked at the moon and sighed. Then rise through it and make a general he began to call at the Ramsens' again. a little at night, and of course received | copt those to the north. They are great

leetle late to ripe this robe?" Madame | readily raised and lowered. After sun-Fleure asked, one evening; "it is to be down a plentiful watering of your street made over with velvet. Ah, how I de- and pavement, and of all the garden you ried, as I suppose to Meestaire King, zen I have her work. It is politic to oblige one who will be rich. You, Miss Bes- for a scientific architect. Ordinary archi-

Well, happiness was given to some peo- liers properly hung, all help to destroy ple, sorrow to others. It was God's echoes. In one case the placing of a

How well she remembered that robe. "DEAR BESSIZ—May I call you so! I lave trie I to tell you how I felt to you so often, but there seems no opportunity for me on your aunt's reception evanings.
"On Thurs lav, unless you send me word not to come, I shall call on you particularly. I cannot endure this suspense much longer, "Yours Devotelly,"

How well she remembered that robe. Regima bad worn it, that happy day when she—Bessie, ran to the box often, hoping to find a letter from Roy. What a ream it all see and. She thought of it as she sat alone in the work room, just back of the central chandelier,

Then thrusting it in her pocket again, now, and suddenly, as though fairy-tales preacher's head made a marked change

u von it.

vate a more dignified manner. Tall dress, and that it had been opened, and trembling with excitement, she read it winds as you do, and I am sure Roy through, kissed it, and hid it in her

Shenandoah

"How cruel of her!" she sobbed. She had it in her pocket when I passed Two Methods of Catching Them-"don't preach, I've come to you for ad- her on the stairs; I know it now, but

It was hard to sit still and rip Regina's dress after that. But she did it, and

She told Roy nothing of Regina's conduct, and only said that she wishel to Here Regina threw herself on the sofa explain that by accident she had only received his note that day. But Roy understood the situation.

rich, and I'm so bitterly disappointed." And so, in a few hours, he was at her "Perhaps it is all your imagination, side whispering words that made her And before many weeks were over,

how to prevent Roy King from seeing the cards that it contained toward her 'Impossible! Roy King and Bessie here next Thursday," said Mrs. Ramsen, Benton!" the old lady cried. "But what stepping back to get a better view of is this written below the names?" She put up her eye-glass and read aloud:

"The letter that she watched for came

Tea and Usages in China. The character (symbol) for "tea" is ounced in the north ch'ah, but in Amoy and Swatow tay-the original word "tea," preserved for us in Dublin, Paris, and sundry verses such as

It is interesting to be told that we Englishmen do not, "like the people of the Middle Kingdom, swallow tea inces-

There is a reason for this practice of the Middle Kingdom folk, as there is for you myself to-morrow. Of course you most of their practices, were it worth while to hunt for it. A Chinaman will never touch cold water unless compelled by very superior circumstances, and it is is due that the Chinese do not all die of There was some scorn in her tone, but typhoid fever. I have seen at the same perceive it; and meanwhile Bessie was for the family dinner, the other the bedclothes of her husband just dead of Roy King has not written. If he cholera. Englishmen, as a Chinaman As she packed her trunk a few tears have a small bowl filled with cold water.

To Keep the House Cool.

Much of the heat of our houses is sup-She noticed that neither of them asked plied by the kitchen range, which should the shutters and windows be How Regina laughed to herself at the closed, but the blinds must be lowered request Bessie had made about letters, to exclude every ray of light, and the and out of the children, who thus admit And Roy King listened and believed, between meals; the room selected should

Every house should have an accessible trap-door in its roof, and when this is For a few weeks he went nowhere, left open a current of heated air must draught over all the house. Awnings Meanwhile, Bessie worked hard, cried should be at all windows and doors, exhelps in keeping out glare, but they "Who will be an angel and stay a should be chosen of a kind which is

An echoing audience room is a subject "Oh, yes," replied Bessie. She sighed defect. If the room has no gallery, it is large organ back of the pulpit made a remedied the defect. In another instance a large canopy, a few feet above the for the better. - New York Dispatch.

of the Gospels" is valued at \$50,000 and "You startle one so," said Mrs. Ram- "Am I crazy?" she cried. Then she is on view at the Bookbinders' Exposi-

SOFT SHELL CRABS.

PHYSICAL ECCENTRICITIES OF THIS DAINTY CRUSTACEAN.

Dredging and Dipneiting-How He Moults-His Beautiful

about 4,500,000 "soft shells" and tunately it is not for long, inasmuch as "peelers" were captured by Crisfield within three or four days the slim; sethem of nearly \$75,000.

er," "shedder," or "buster," is one philosophers. oosened, but is not yet split.

content to go around with a rusty-looking | New York Sun. coat, on which seaweeds and various mollusca grow. But, when young, what is more beautiful than this knight in his

each defensive point? For obvious reasons it is very difficult

shedding and shipping crabs near Crist of the pipe, which projects out of the value them at \$5 each. send their own crabs to market, prefer- smell it. and paying for them in cash, or, as is has parted with its gas. When this is more usual, giving a ticket redeemable done there is an end of the flame. at any time. Payment, however, has Take the pipe out of the fire, remove usually been made at the end of each | the clay cover of the bowl, and the resiweek, at what the dealers chose to say duum remaining therein is coke! was the market rate, and it is this plan | Now, this is the distillation of gas soft crabs begins in May and continues -New York Recorder.

until the middle of October, when the crabmen go to oystering. is a net framed with iron, which is forty-five. The weight of Dutch, Fristo the surface at intervals and emptied of that of the Englishman, while the Gerits contents. When using the dip net man brain is in many instances heavier. the boat is poled with an oar slowly The Polish brain is forty-seven ounces. other shallows, scooping in such victims it is from forty-one to forty-four ounces, as make themselves visible. The daily but Mussulmans average more, and the from disturbance by the waves in deep ounces. Traveling toward China the water. It is estimated that the average | brain weight of the tribes there settled a hundred soft shells and shedders daily is from forty-three to forty-eight ounces; crabs are most abroad during the night San Francisco Chronicle. ally make their best catches before | While the mate of an Ohio River great efficacy in the cure. Recent coundaybreak, and there is much rivalry steamboat was endeavoring to drive a among the crabbers in making an early cow on board she tossed him overboard start to reach the shallows and put out and jumped in after him. He was com- country. It is believed that the enforced

its shell. The readiness with which a crabber or shipper is able to distinguish in this matter seems little short of marrelous to the uninitiated. Very curious it is to observe how the crab, under ordinary conditions the most pugnacious and aggressive of animals, becomes when bereft of its protective shell a shrinking It is only about fifteen years since the and non-assertive creature, hiding itself business of taking soft shelled crabs and away under stones or anywhere that it crabs about to shed, for the purpose of may find concealment. A soft crab is shipping them to the big cities in large the prey of all fishes and other living quantities, was first begun on the Chesa- things which it is accustomed itself to depeake by certain enterprising men who stroy and prey upon when equipped in its were much ridiculed for their notions on accustomed armor proof. Only the grim this subject and derisively referred to as necessity that says "swell or burst" com-"crab breeders." The success they made pels this fighting creature to abandon its of the enterprise quickly turned scorn coat of mail and submit itself to the to imitation, and during the last season misery of helplessness for a time. For-

fishermen alore, representing a value to cretion from the body provides Sin Cancer with a fresh and horny panoply with It should be explained that a crab an which to defy all watery foes. The exproaching the shedding process is var- quisite construction of this suit of proof, ously known among the Chesapeake with its intricacy of joinings and brilfishermen as a "peeler." a "shedder." liancy of decoration in color, has many a "buster," or a "comber." A "peel- a time and oft exc.ted the admiration of whose shell has begun to crack in the Unhappily, among the millions of soft process of moulting, while a "comer," a and shedder crabs caught on the Chesa- thirty years' residence in this country,

preparing to cast the shell, which has owing to the delicate condition of the animals when captured and to the in- garding our laws. Upon this phenomenon of moulting juries they receive from being taken and the crab fishermen of the Chesapeake handled. In this way nearly twenty per sons in the United States is one in every chiefly depend for their breal and but- cent, of the entire catch is lost before it ter. Inasmuch as Mr. Crab wears his can be got to market. To obviate this so in the agricultural districts of England skeleton on his outside, instead of in- far as may be possible great care is exer- it is one in 820; in London the proporside, as is usual with animals, he must cised in handling the crabs from the net get out of it at intervals in order to grow to shipment, and the crates in which bigger. When he is young and develop- they are packed for market are prepared ing rapidly he casts his shell every few with the utmost pains, the crabs being weeks. Later on the necessity for sac- placed in trays between layers of crushed rificing his armor comes less often, and ice and seaweed. Soft crabs are so little finally, when he has attained his full disposed to move that when once packed, grow.h, he gets no more suits of clothes. with their legs folded up and their bodies In fact, like many ciderly people who placed obliquely so that the water may walk on two legs, he seems to comider not run out of their mouths, they remain that it is no longer worth his while to quiescent and apparently happy, unaware pay any attention to his apparel, being of the coming frying-pan and crumbs .-

How to Make Gas.

To make coal gas is very easy. Most suit of mail, full armel and fierce for school-boys know how to do it at a few battle, with claws of a blue that rivals | minutes' notice. Here is the process the sky, and tipped with blood-rel at which I tried a hundred times or more before I was ten years old:

Get a little bit of bituminous coal-as with the little poor relation of the house, the face, for bathing the body, and for once upon the shedding of their shells, Pound it small, almost into dust, with a quenching the thirst. After eating they and so the device is adopted of gather- hammer or cobblestone. Take an ordining in those which are about to "peel" ary tobacco pipe (one with a long stem by the quantity and keeping them in is preferable), and fill it with the pound-"floats" until they moult. These floats ed coal, pressing it pretty closely with sent on an errand she walks to and from Sidley, after an absence of forty-one are floating trays twenty feet long, five your thumb-I should have said nearly around the edges to prevent the prison tough clay, reduced to the consistency of on recovering her senses will immediate. Mr. Sidley was a physician and druggist "I sat up nearly all night to finish your to each guest in turn to wipe his face ers from getting away. One of them putty by being tempered with a little ly retrace her steps and begin the jourwill hold 300 or 400 crabs, and they are water. Then insert the pipe, filled with new over again backward. visited three or four times daily for the coal and closely covered with the tena- The Xerobates Agassizii, the grasspurpose of removing those which have clous clay, carefully between the pars of eating turtle of the Mojave Desert, is shed. No time is to be lost, because a the grate, so that the clay on the top of said to be the only one of the turtle soft crab grows harder every minute, and the bowl may not be disturbed. In a species which lives by grazing like a twenty-four hours in the water will minute or two the heat of the fire evolves horse or an ox. Xerobates dig a hole in transform the animal into a "paper carburetted hydrogen gas from the coal the sand to escape the intense heat; is

ring to sell them to the regular dealers | The smell is that of escaped gas- holy to cut it, or to even wear it loosely on the spot, who pack the soft shells for which is so unpleasant and unwholesome around the neck and shoulder. After he sending off immediately, placing the when perceived and swallowed in a room gets married, and not before, the law "ptelers" in floats until they are ready. - and the appearance is that of a thick permitting to wear it curled up on top As the fishermen bring in their crabs the smoke. Then apply a lighted match to of his head. To tell a married Corean dealers count them in the presence of the this vapor, which, being influemable, that he had ought to wear his hair down crabbers, separating the soft crabs, the instantly is all aflame burning brightly is equivalent to telling him that his wife 'short comers," and the 'long comers," until all the coal in the bowl of the pipe

that the crabbers have struck against, from coal, which lights our houses and demanding that they be remunerated at a streets-only at the gas works the vapor fixed price for each day's catch on deliv- is submitted to processes which purify it, ery. As a rule each crabber has a con- thereby producing a clearer and brighter tract to supply one or more dealers with light when burning. What is left after all the crabs he gets. The season for making the gas has a commercial value.

Weight of the Human Brain.

Two methods of catching crabs are | The average weight of a Scotchman's practised in the vicinity of Crisfield- brain is sixty ounces, an Englishman's dredging and dipnetting. The dredge forty-nine, a Frenchman's a little over hauled over the bottom, being brought ian, Italian and Lapp brains comes near around the edges of the marshes and in Among Hindoos and other races in India catch is apt to vary with the weather. Khonds, one of the aboriginal races of When it is stormy the erabs take refuge India, much less-not quite thirty-eight during the season. He receives for in America that of the aboriginal race them from 14 to two cents each. The averages forty-seven ounces; in Australia opinion prevails about Crisfield that the from forty-one to forty-two ounces .-

It is very essential that the fisherman | was killed on the rocks below.

CURIOUS FACTS.

The Chinese word for farewell means, "go away slowly."

A family of five generations live under one roof in a town in Louisiana.

One sheet of paper recently made was ington. eight feet wide and seven and threequarter miles long. Prayer books, bound in ivory, that

sell at \$33 apiece, are among the favors

in demand at shops that carry specialty Twelve oranges, which grew on a twig six inches long in George Stone's grove, near De Land, Fla., completely filled a

neck measure and weighed thirty-five

A Mexico (Mo.) man has a tax receipt in his possession acknowledging the payment of forty-three cents on forty acres of land in Boone County, The receipt

is dated 1843. The Hawaiians are supposed to be of the Malay family of nations. Their complexion is tawny, inclining to olive. They are of middle stature, well formed, with muscular limbs and open counte-

A man applied for naturalization at Merced, Cal., the other day who, after long comer," or a "short comer," is peake there is a very large mortality, could not answer a word of English or a single question put by the court re-

The State of Washington owes its

name to a Kentucky member of Congress named Stanton. The petition to be set off as a separate Territory from Oragon was before Congress as early as 185z,. but was not acted on till 1855. In the German custom of clinkling viasses before drinking the rims are apt to get chipped and the particles of glass

recently in Castle a student swallowed a piece of glass thus chipped off and died The people of Thessaly, Greece, were the first to break horses for service in war, and their proficiency as equestrians probably first gave rise to the ancient myth that their country was originally

inhabited by centaurs, fabulous creat-

to fall into the cup. At a "commer,

ures supposed to be half horse and half Mabel Hunter, a sixteen-year-old Iowa girl, is the victim of a peculiar habit the place backward. Sometimes she years, is to his relatives almost as if the

about ten inches in length when full If the covering be compact and com- grown, and weight from six to eight Thirty firms are engaged in buying, picte the gas flows out of the long stem pounds. Coast dealers in curiosities

field at present. The fishermen do not fire, and you can immediately see and The Corean wears his hair braided down his back, it being considered un-

A Coin-Collecting Cat.

Main street Grug store. Like some other homely creatures, the cat is remarkably intelligent, and the storekeepers have not been slow to turn its sagacity to acthe people around the soda fountain are centinually dropping their change on the floor. The cat has been trained to skulk about the soda fountain, and to run, catch and swallow all coins dropped up. Of course, the customers can't demand the money of the druggists; incat's strange appetite for metal, not suspecting any design in it. Every night about 11 o'clock, just before closing for the night, the druggists administer a ently disgorges a quantity of coin, the amount on hot days sometimes reaching loss. There are few cats that can thus earn \$25 to \$35 a week, and the owners of this cross-eved animal very naturally value it highly-Buffalo Courier.

The method of caring for the insane in Holland is in establishing villages for in a kind of family life. Surrounding the village are farms that furnish healthful out-of-door occupation-the open air employment being regarded as of their dredges for the crabs that have pelled to dive to get out of her way, and association of insane with insane in the come up during the night to feed and when he escaped she swam to shore, large asylums tends greatly to retard and furiously dashed herself off a bluff, and often to prevent their recovery. -- Boston

An emblem of pride-Smoke, when it is puffed up .- Kate Field's Washington "Remains to be seen"-The uncarthed relics at Pompeis .- Kate Field's Wash-

FUN.

A joke is usually carried too far when it is taken from an English comic paper.

A subject on which it is very difficult to keep up interest is a mortgage. - Binghamton Republican.

"I am feeling my ground," said the man who slippe I up in his own dooryard. - Washington Post.

Noodles-"Say, there, bring me a professional burglar! I want to see if he can break into this spring chicken."-

Education is all right just so it does not leave its victim too smart to work and not smart enough to get along without work .- Galveston News.

First Promissory Note-"You've changed considerably about the face since I saw you last." Second Promissory Note-"No wonder! I've just been shaved."-Pittsburg Telegraph.

"It's a mistake," said Mrs. Herts, after her guests had gone; "it is a mistake to say that misery loves company. I thought I'd die with headache while those people were here."-Puck.

According to the Detroit Fres Press, a young dramatist, telling the story of his new play to the manager, said, "As the two robbers crawl in at the window the clock strikes one." "Ah," said the manager, "which one?"

Sympathizing Friend-"I feel very bad for you. It seems so sail that your poor husband should have to go to pris-The Afflicted-"Oh! it isn't so much that. But it is so mortifying, you know, to have the jury bring him in guilty of murder in the second degree! Poor John always prided himself on being first in whatever he undertook."---Boston Transcript.

A disappointed fish peddler was belaboring his slow but patient horse in a street in Georgetown, District of Columbia, the other day, and calling out his wares at intervals as: "Herrin', herrin', fresh herrin'." A tender-hearted lady, seeing the act cruelty to the horse, called out at all from an upper window, "Have you no mercy?" mum," was the reply, "nothin' but herrin'."-Forest and Stream.

Returned After Thirty Years,

The return to Milwaukee of Kyrle A. dead had come to life. The father of in Milwaukee in the forties. Kyrle Sidley spent most of his youth in the East, but was in Milwaukee in the year 1849. The next year he went East and shipped as a sailor. In 1861 Mr. Sidley went to Australia. For some time his relatives heard from him regularly. Suddenly the correspondence ceased, and for thirty years he was mourned as dead. As was afterward learned, Mr. Sidley lost everything by fire, the addresses of his relatives being destroyed. The families had moved and his letters did not reac't their proper destination. Likewise Mr. Sidney had moved, and the letters sent by his family failed to reach him. Three years ago he employed a lawyer to find his relatives, and after a few months he was in communication with them. This year, Mr. Sidley, new sixty-two years of age, decided to visit his relatives in Milwaukee, and he arrived there this week from Australia. He found two of his sisters living there, and a brother There's a cross-eyed cat in a certain came from New York to meet him. After his visit Mr. Sidley will return to Australia. - Chicago Tribune.

It is quite an art to select a choice melon without cutting a small hole through its fat green sides, but it can be done-the same as an expert can tell a ing and general appearance. The dark green of the melon should be the color of English ivy leaves; the yellowish spot underneath caused by its contact with mother earth should be tested with the ressure of the finger. The spot should lave a springy resistance and the indentation thus made should not be noticeable when the finger is removed. If it remains the melon is too ripe and likely to be watery. If no depression can be made the melon is not ripe enough. - National

Some one gives the following as the Sphinx. Schiller, The Republican Poet. Goethe. The Poet of Pantheism. ley, The Eternal Child. Keats, The Resurrectionized Greek. Byron, The Poet of Passion. Moore, The Butterfly. Jeremy Taylor, The Shakespeare of Divines. Coleridge, The Insulated Son of Reverie. Bunyan, Sponsor of the People. Shakespeare, The Myriadcils of philanthropists have discussed | Minded, Ben Jonson, The Divine Bully this idea with a view to its trial in this of the Old English Parnassus. Spenser, Tis Poet's Poet. Chaucer, The Well of English Undefiled, or the Morning Star Milton of the Forefathers .- New York

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ADVERTISING RATES.

Eastern and Middle States.

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There was a flurry in wheat speculation on the New York Produce Exchange, prices advencing about five cents a bushel and \$,600,000 bushels being traded in.

GEORGE JONES, chief owner of the New York Times, died the other day at Polan's springs, Me. He was born at Poultney, Vt. in 1811, and there he and Horace Greeley worked together as boys for the sams man. Mr. Jones assisted in placing on sale the first edition of the New York Tribune and started the Times in 1851.

JOCKET MONAGHAN, fifteen years old, was killed through injuries received while riding at the Jerome Perk (New York City) races, and a similar fate befell Jockey Bushnell, twenty-eight years old, at the Gloucester (N. J.) race track.

Myzon Abaus, of Ashland, Mass., five years old, died of hydrophobia. He had been bitten by a mad dog a month previous. ABBAHAN BACKER, the New York note broker, who failed recently for \$1,000,000, has been arrested on a charge of grand

C. S. WOLFE, a prominent Pennsylvanian, had just been elected Executive Commissioner of the Pennsylvania World's Fair Commission, and was on his way to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee at Harrisburg, when he fell dead of heart discusse on the pavement.

EIGHTEE: persons were hurt, several seriously, by a collision between an express and freight train at Egg Harbor City, N. J. MANY notable people attended the funeral of James Russell Lowell at Harvard Col-lege, Boston. The city bells were tolled as the body was borne to Mt. Auburn Ceme-

South and West.

CAMP DOUGLAS, a Wiscensin town, has been almost destroyed by fire. Loss, \$150, 200. An express train ran into a freight train near Fort Wayne, Ind. The engineer and fireman of the express were killed, eight freight cars destroyed and the baggage and express cars of the pessenger train were

WORK on the World's Fair buildings is being pushed rapidly at Jackson Park, Chi-

All work on the World's Feir buildings, at Chicago, has been temporarily stopped because the foundations are not strong WILLIAM ARESTRONG, who, it is said, was the oldest living Odd Fellow in the United States, has just died in Salem, Ore., aged eighty-mine. He was initiated into the Or-der at Buffelo, N. Y., in 1834.

UNDER an enormous pressure of wheat an elevator wall at Minneapolis gave way, crossing in an adjoining feed mill. Sixty thousand bushels of wheat were let out. Damage, \$50,000.

A TERRIFIC hall storm in the vicinity of Melrose, Minn., ruined thousands of acres of HENRY HENSON was hanged at St. Louis for killing his wife, and Chris. Young at Lexington, Mo., for killing Stephen Fergu-

R. DUDLEY FRAYSER, a Memphis capital-ist, was lured into meeting a stranger at a hotel, chloroformed and robbod, Miss CLYDE RAGLAND, daughter of Squire

J. P. Ragirad, a wealthy farmer of Louisville, Ky., was thrown from a horse, and, har feet catching in the stirrup, sae was

Washington. ATTORNEY-GENERAL MILLER has directed an investigation to be made of charges of brutal treatment of Federal prisoners con-

FRESIDENT HARRISON has ordered an in-rectigation of the reported seizure of the Pacific Mail steamship City of Panama by the Government of Salvador.

PRESIDENT HARRISON received from Queen Victoria a dispatch of condolence on the death of James Russell Lowell. The report of Census Superintendent Porter for the six months ending June 30, has been made public. He says that the 62.622,259 surds, representing each individual who was enumerated, are nearly all punched and are ready for the electrical tabulating machines. The completion of this worz releases about 1259 employes and will reduce the force of the population division to about 400 persons.

DR. ROLAND H. FALKNER, of the University of Porusylvenia, has been asked by the Senate Committee on Financa to assume the direction of its coming important investiga-

tion into the effect of the McKinley tariff

Excessive rains, famine, typhus fever and dysentery afflict the inhabitants of the Magura District in the Austrian Carpathi-

The twelfth international convention of the Young Men's Christian Associations opened in Amsterdam, Holland. About 507 delegates were present, 100 of them being Americans. Count von Hogendorp, of Hol-land, was made President of the convention. Brief reports of the work in different coun-tries were made.

THE King of Denmark gave a luncheon at openhagen to the Chicago Fair Commis-louers. Denmark will be largely repre-ented at the fair.

A TREE near Manistee, Mich., this feet in circumference, twalve feet in a ter and 175 feet high, will be blasted dynamite, as there is no any that will and no mill that can cut it into beards.

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